

STOCKSBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Stocksbridge Town Council, held in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall, Stocksbridge, on Thursday, 9th May 2024

PRESENT: Cllr. M Whittaker (Chair); Cllrs. R J Crowther, J Wood, J A Grocutt, K Davis,
A S Law, S Abrahams and J Staniforth

246. To Receive Chairman's Remarks and Apologies for Absence

There were no Apologies for Absence.

247. Exclusion of the Press and Public

There were no items for exclusion of the press and public.

248. Declarations of Interest

Cllr. JS declared a personal interest in agenda item 12 b) Grant Applications – Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre.

249. Public Questions and Petitions

There were no public questions and petitions.

250. To Receive Remarks from the Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 11th April 2024

With reference to item 222 – Comments made at Stocksbridge Community Forum Meeting.

Cllr. KD referred to comments made by Cllr. SA at the Stocksbridge Community Forum meeting which were discussed at previous Town Council meetings and asked if Cllr. SA was prepared to make an apology to members for the comments made.

Cllr. SA declined to make an apology.

Cllr. KD stated that members need to work together as a Council and did not accept the reasons for Cllr. SA not apologising.

With reference to item 226 – Litter on Stocksbridge By-pass. Cllr. ASL asked if this issue had been resolved. Cllr. KD stated that unfortunately it had not. Whilst passing he had noted a man cleaning the road signage and had stopped to ask who he worked for and was advised the Highways Agency, so the ownership of the area for removal of litter remained a mystery.

251. To Approve as a True and Correct Record the Minutes of the Town Council meetings held on 14th March 2024 and 11th April 2024

Minutes of the Meetings of the Town Council held on 14th March 2024 and 11th April 2024, copies of which had been circulated prior to the meeting were taken as read.

Proposed by Cllr. A S Law, seconded by Cllr. K Davis and

RESOLVED:- That the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

252. Finances - To Receive and Approve Monthly Financial Statements

The Clerk reported that the details of the Monthly Financial Statements had been previously circulated.

Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. S Abrahams and
RESOLVED:- That the Town Council accept details of the Monthly Financial Statements for April 2024 as supplied by the Clerk.

253. Yorkshire Local Councils Associations

Correspondence including:-

- White Rose Update, 14th April
- White Rose Update, 26th April
- Law and Governance Monthly – April 2024

Copies previously circulated.

254. Broomfield Lane Development

The Clerk reported that the Town Council had been copied in on correspondence to Miriam Cates MP from a local resident with respect to the Broomfield Lane development, having received a flyer through their door, noting they could find no planning reference for the proposed changes and raising concerns regarding the impact these would have on both their and neighbouring properties.

Further correspondence had also been received from L Hirst, SCC Planning informing that the application approved by the Planning Inspectorate had established that a development of 92 dwellings is acceptable in principle and the two vehicular access points from Broomfield Lane and Hollin Busk Road have been approved. No formal application had been received by the Council at this time but when it is received residents will be afforded the opportunity to review the plans and submit formal representations. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members.

Cllr. SA reported that as part of the UDTT water testing was being conducted on the River Don and there were concerns regarding potential pollution, particularly in view of increased rainfall and addition of more proposed housing developments which could add to the situation if the water treatment works was already at full capacity.

Cllr. RJC noted that one question asked of Yorkshire Water at the time of the development of the new water treatment works was if they had taken into consideration the addition of new housing developments, which they assured had been accommodated.

255. Fairtrade Group

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from the joint Penistone and Stocksbridge Fairtrade Group inviting members to attend their AGM on 23rd May at 7pm in St Andrews Church, Penistone. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members.

256. Licensing Application

The Clerk reported that she had received notification of the undermentioned licensing application:-

Stocksbridge & District Golf Club, 30 Royd Lane, Deepcar S36 2RZ

Variation of Premises License

Opening hours and supply of alcohol (on) Sunday to Saturday – 09:00-00:00

257. SYMCA

The Clerk reported that she had received correspondence from SYMCA informing of Supertram rail replacement works taking place from 25th May to 3rd June 2024. Copies of this correspondence had been previously circulated to members.

258. Clerks Reports

Nothing to report.

259. To Receive Verbal Reports from Members'

- a) Cllr. JS reported that he had attended the Saturday Kids Clubs held at SCLC which were always very busy and the Craft Club held at the Inman Pavilion. Cllr. JS had also attended the Valley at War event held at Fox Valley which had been very good. Unfortunately, the Transport meeting had been cancelled.
- b) Cllr. KD reported that he had passed through the Valley at War event at Fox Valley which had looked very impressive.
- c) Cllr. JW advised that she had also attended the Valley at War event which had been excellent.
- d) Cllr. SA informed that she had attended the Valley at War event; Venue meeting regarding the Homegrown Festival which would be held from 28th September to 12th October; there would be a Makers Market on 12th October in Fox Valley; SVP had received £50,000 for river work; attended the Friday Drop In; Bolsterstone Archaeology Heritage Group which had a full programme to 2025; Cllr. SA gave STEP updates on The Venue which continues to grow, the Nursery which would be welcoming its first male assistant and Business Centre.
- e) Cllr. JAG reported that she had attended the Christian Centre Drop In; the Food Bank; Towns Fund Board meeting, noting that good progress was being made with the Hopper bus service; a leaving event for Lisa in Stocksbridge Library who had been there for 70 years; Afternoon Tea at Bolsterstone Village Hall; an event at Oxley Park to start the digging for the All Wheels track which it was hoped would be ready during August; Bolsterstone Community Group meeting where progress was being made on the broadband installation for Bolsterstone.
- f) Cllr. RJC reported that he had attended the Garden Village Community Association meeting.
- g) Cllr. ASL informed that he had attended a TARA meeting.
- Cllr. ASL thanked members for their support during his recent health issues which was very much appreciated.

260. To Receive a Verbal Report from the Mayor

The Mayor, Cllr. M Whittaker reported that he had attended the following event since the last meeting:-

15th April – judging of the St Ann's school Easter Bonnet Parade

Friday Drop In

Valley at War event at Fox Valley

261. To Consider Planning Applications and receive the Decisions of the Sheffield Planning and Highways Committee

24/01149/FUL	9 Schofield Road, Stocksbridge	Demolition of existing conservatory, erection of two-storey side and single-storey rear extension to dwellinghouse.
24/01084/FUL	30 St Matthias Road, Deepcar	Erection of two-storey side extension with demolition of attached garage and front porch to dwellinghouse.

24/00741/LU2	5 Broadhead Road, Stocksbridge	Certificate of Lawfulness for garden shed.
24/01061/FUL	Lower Townend Farm, Townend Lane, Deepcar	Erection of a temporary wooden summerhouse to the front garden area (within the curtilage of a Grade II Listed building).
24/01354/FUL	10 Linden Crescent, Stocksbridge	Erection of three-storey and two-storey rear extension and raised balcony to rear, alterations to roof including installation of solar panels to front and erection of dormer window to rear, installation of second floor windows to both sides of dwellinghouse.

Planning Applications - Decisions

The undermentioned planning applications have been Granted Conditionally:-

24/00525/FUL	3 Whitwell Cottages, Whitwell Lane, Stocksbridge	Erection of rear raised terrace area with 1.8m high privacy fence to dwellinghouse (AMENDED DESCRIPTION 11.04.2024).
24/01120/FUL	62 Fox Glen Road, Stocksbridge	Alterations to roof space for form habitable accommodation including erection of a rear dormer window and erection of single-storey side/rear extension to dwellinghouse.
23/03818/FUL	14 Carr Close, Deepcar	Demolition of existing rear conservatory and detached front garage, erection of two-storey side and single-storey rear extensions and detached two-storey double garage to front of dwellinghouse.
24/00676/OUT	Curtilage of 31 Sheldon Road, Stocksbridge	Outline application (appearance, landscaping and scale reserved) for erection of dwellinghouse.

The undermentioned planning application has been given Grant Conditionally Prior Notification:-

24/00505/ARPN	New Hall Farm, New Hall Lane, Stocksbridge	Alterations and conversion of 3no. agricultural buildings to create 5no. dwellings (Use Class C3) with associated works and parking.
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The undermentioned planning application has been given Condition Application Decided:-

22/04211/COND1	Cedar Road Christian Centre, Cedar Road, Stocksbridge	Application to approve details in relation to condition number 3 (boundary treatment), 4 and 9 (landscape works), 5 (site accommodation and delivery area), 6 (ingress and egress), 7 (wheel cleaning), 8 (cycle parking), 10
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17/04673/COND12 Land at junction with Carr Road, Hollin Busk Lane, Deepcar

(surface water) relating to planning permission 22/04211/FUL.
Application to approve details in relation to condition number(s): 11 (Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI)), 22 (EV charging scheme) & 26 (Validation Report) imposed by planning permission 17/04673/OUT.

262. Grant Applications

a) Helliwell Court Tenants

Members considered a grant application from Helliwell Court Tenants requesting funding assistance towards the purchase of a dart board and stand to encourage social activity and reduce social isolation.

As the group did not have a constitution they therefore do not fit the criteria for a grant.

Cllr. ASL stated that he felt the TARA group may be able to assist with this request and undertook to discuss the funding with the TARA Chair. The Clerk undertook to inform the Helliwell Court tenants.

b) Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre

Members considered a grant application from Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre requesting funding assistance towards an activity camp for approximately 30 children during the May half term school holiday.

Proposed by Cllr. R J Crowther, seconded by Cllr. J A Grocutt and

RESOLVED:- That funding of £600 be awarded to Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre towards an activity camp for approximately 30 children during the May half term school holiday.

263. Accounts for Authorisation

Proposed by Cllr. J Staniforth, seconded by Cllr. A S Law and

RESOLVED:- (i) That payments be authorised in settlement of the undermentioned accounts:-

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
Salaries/Tax/NI/Pensions	May 2024	£3879.39	LGA72(S111)
Penistone FM	Grant Aid	£1000.00	LGA76(S19)
S/B Pentaqua Swimming Club	Grant Aid	£1000.00	“
Valley in Bloom	Funding for 2024/2025	£2000.00	“
Friends of Fox Glen	Citizens Award	£ 100.00	LGA72(S137)
Steel Valley Project Volunteers	Citizens Award	£ 100.00	“
D Cunningham	Citizens Award	£ 50.00	“
M Moss	Citizens Award	£ 50.00	“
D Fortescue	Citizens Award	£ 50.00	“
Facility Maintenance Solutions Ltd	Monthly water monitoring	£ 10.30	LGA72(Sch14P9)
Facility Maintenance Solutions Ltd	Repairs to Bolsterstone Toilets	£ 130.00	“
CPRE	Annual subscription	£ 36.00	LGA72(S111)
City Illuminations Ltd	Soldier features refurb.	£1320.00	PHA1875(S164) LGA72(Sch.14p27)
			OS Act 1906
4SLC	Grant Aid	£ 600.00	LGA76(S19)

(ii) That payments be authorised in settlement of the undermentioned accounts in respect of The ARC:-

			<u>Made Under Power</u>
NRC Services Ltd	Cleaning charges	£ 758.69	LGA72(S111)
Facility Maintenance Solutions Ltd	Monthly water monitoring	£ 20.60	“
Copymark (Service) Ltd	Photocopying charges	£ 21.35	“
IPM Group	Security call out	£ 54.00	“
Elite Lift Solutions	Lift repairs/battery Replacement	£ 374.88	“
Micro Alarms Ltd	Alarm remote access repair	£ 33.60	“

(iii) That authority be given for Direct Debits paid in settlement of the undermentioned accounts:-

April 2024:-

British Gas Lite	Electricity charges – Xmas Tree – precinct	£ 10.37	LGA72(S111)
SSE	Electricity charges – ARC March	£1164.80	“
Business Stream	Water charges – ARC	£ 320.90	“
Moorepay	Payroll charges	£ 98.92	“
Intuit Ltd – Quickbooks	VAT software subscription	£ 16.80	“
Veolia	Waste removal charges	£ 133.68	“

Chairman